(c) The Ministry has taken a decision to adopt these New WHO Child Growth Standards in Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS).

Schemes for Child Security and Education

†714. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several schemes for child security and education are being run by Government.

(b) if so, the details of these schemes during 2006-07 and 2007-08;

(c) the percentage of the expenses to be incurred by the Central and the State Governments under the scheme;

(d) whether there is some monitoring mechanism for implementation of these schemes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of their reports during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (e) There is no scheme specifically for child security and education. However, the Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing schemes namely (i) An Integrated Programme for Street Children and (ii) Scheme for Welfare of Working Children in Need of Care and Protection for welfare and rehabilitation of children which include education as one of the components. Under these schemes 90 per cent financial assistance is provided by this Ministry to the Non-Governmental Organizations for running the projects under these schemes. The remaining 10 per cent of expenditure is to be borne by the concerned organizations. The details of the aforesaid schemes are as under:

Name of the Scheme	2006-2007			2007-2008 (till 22.11.2007)		
	Budget (Amount in lakh)	Expenditure (Amount in lakh)	No. of Beneficiaries	Budget (Amount in lakh)	Expenditure (Amount in lakh)	No. of Beneficiaries
An Integrated Programme for Street Children	1100	1016.17	32931	1000	584.76	21163
Scheme for Welfare of Working Children in Need of Care and Protection.	300	276.89	4900	700	388.82	6900

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The projects being run by the Non-Governmental Organizations under these schemes are being monitored by way of regular inspections by the officials of the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations Offices, specialized agencies or by the officers of the Ministry from time to time. The second installment of the grant is released only after the receipt of satisfactory report of the Inspecting Officer in respect of the project. No adverse report has been received against any organization which have received grants under these schemes from this Ministry during the last three years.

Missing Children

†715. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of children go missing every year in the country, particularly in Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons for disappearing of children;

(c) the efforts made by Government for redressal of these reasons and to trace such children;

(d) whether the committee constituted by the National Human Rights Commission has tendered any suggestions for solution of this problem; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) As per the information of the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), the number of cases of missing children in Delhi during 2004, 2005 & 2006 were 6390, 6926 & 7025, respectively.

(b) No such data is maintained by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.

(c) This Ministry has formulated a new centrally sponsored scheme namely "Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS)" which envisages setting up of a 'National Website on Missing Children' to facilitate tracing, recovery and rehabilitation of the children who are either run away or are missing for various reasons.

(d) and (e) Yes, Sir. The Committee constituted by the National Human Rights Commission has, *inter-alia,* made the following suggestions for solution of this problem:

(i) The Directorate General of Police of States should take appropriate steps to issue police orders/circulars/standing instructions, etc. sensitize all officers in this regard and also make them accountable;

(ii) Every Police Station across the country should have Special Squad/Missing Persons Desk to trace missing children;

(iii) Need to reiterate the implementation of the Supreme Court Guidelines given on 14.11.2002 in Writ Petition (Cri.) No. 610 of 1996 filed by Horilal *Vs.* Commissioner of Police, Delhi & Others in all police stations across the country;

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